

SENATE BILL 182

By Fowler

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 3, Chapter 7 and Title 20, Chapter 13, relative to compromise and settlement of litigation to which the state is a party.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 3-7-103, is amended by adding the following language as a new, appropriately designated subsection:

(h) The committee shall also monitor all litigation for which notice has been given pursuant to § 8-6-109 and to issue written comments concerning the fiscal impact of any compromise and settlement of civil litigation as required by § 20-13-103.

SECTION 2. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 3-7-109(a), is amended by deleting the subsection in its entirety, and by substituting instead the following language:

The director of the fiscal review committee shall review all reports submitted to it by the attorney general and reporter pursuant to §§ 8-6-109(b)(11) and 8-6-109(d), and shall notify the speaker of each house of the general assembly, each member of the fiscal review committee, and the attorney general and reporter of any pending lawsuit in which the director concludes there is a substantial likelihood that adjudication will result in a significant increase in state expenditures.

SECTION 3. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 20-13-103, is amended by changing the period at the end of the section to a semicolon and adding the following language:

provided, however, that neither speaker shall give such written approval until each such speaker has received a fiscal note and a comment concerning the fiscal impact of the compromise and settlement from the fiscal review committee.

SECTION 4. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it.